गुजरात में सैनिकों के समक्ष पेश आने वाली कठिनाइयां

1619. **श्री चीमनभाई हरीभाई शुक्ला:** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या गुजरात का सीमावर्ती क्षेत्र कच्छ रेगिस्तान से घिरा हुआ है और वहां ड्यूटी पर तैनात हमारे सैनिकों को अनेक कठिनाइयों का सामना करना पड़ता है;

(ख) क्या इस संबंध में इस आशय का समाचार है कि भारत-पाक युद्ध के दौरान और शांति के दौरान भी हमारे सैनिकों को भारी हानि हुई है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो अब तक कितने सैनिक अधिकारी और सैनिक प्रभावित हुए हैं; और

(घ) सरकार द्वारा उनकी कठिनाइयां दूर करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए जा रहे है?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मोहम्मद मकबूल डार): (क) जी हां श्रीमान्। कच्छ के सीमावर्ती क्षेत्र में तैनात सीमा सुरक्षा बल के कार्मिकों को कच्छ के रण में कठित भू-भाग के कारण पेय जल, संचार/बिजली की सुविधाओं, अपर्याप्त चिकित्सा सुविधा, नौ-संचालन (नैवीगेशन) कठिनाईयों की विभिन्न समस्याओं का सामना करना पड़ता है।

(ख) और (ग) 1971 के भारत-पाक युद्ध के दौरान कच्छ क्षेत्र में तैनात सीमा सुरक्षा बल के निम्नलिखित सैनिक हताहत हुए:—

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(घ) सीमा सुरक्षा बल के सैनिकों को पर्याप्त डाक/सुविधाएं प्रदान करके और राशन की आपूर्ति, मनोरंजन सुविधाएं प्रदान करके, प्रकाश की व्यवस्था के लिए जेनरेटर प्रदान करने और पानी के टैंकरों द्वारा पेय-जल के आपूर्ति आदि द्वारा उनकी कठिनाइयों को दूर करने के लिए कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं।

ISI centres in Tamil Nadu

1620. SHRI N. THALAVAI SUNDARAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified any ISI centre in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) The Government is not aware of the existence of any ISI centre in Tamil Nadu.

(b) Does not arise.

Indictment of State Police by Amnesty International

1621. SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Amnesty International has indicated Indian State Police for suppressing protests by villagers and activists against the construction of Enron Power Project in Maharashtra causing number of human rights abuses as reported in the 'Hindustan Times' dated July 19, 1997;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) what steps Government are taking in view of Amnesty International's request to ensure that all human right defenders are able to protest without fear of ill treatment, arbitrary arrest, preventive detention or other forms of harassment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR):

(a) and (b) Amnesty International in their report titled "INDIA: The "Enron Project" in Maharashtra: Protests suppressed in the name of development" has observed that the State Police in the name of maintaining law and order have prevented all forms of peaceful and democratic protests against the constructions of a power plant in Maharashtra and in the process using force and other methods, causing human rights abuses. The State Government has reported that it has received a copy of the report only recently and same is being scrutinized by it.

(c) Although 'Police' and 'Public Order' is the State subject, Government of India attaches highest importance to the promotion and protection of human rights and have issued guidelines to the State Governments from time to time to ensure that the police personnel behave in a humane manner during the discharge of their duties and the alleged cases of police excesses are taken serious note of and dealt firmly wherever they occur. The Government of India in its endevour to uphold human rights of the people, is committed to the tenets of the Constitution which guarantees human dignity and honour and freedom of speech, assembly and movement; as also to the International convenents to which it is a party.

Militancy in Manipur

1622. SHRI S.M. KRISHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of casualties both civilian and army/paramilitary personnel suffered during the last six months of militancy in Manipur including the number of militants killed/nabbed;

(b) whether the three level command system is in operation in Manipur; if so, the details thereof and the results achieved therefrom;

(c) whether the system has ever been reviewed by Government;

(d) whether the State Government of Manipur has requested for additional forces from Central Government to tackle the situation, if so, the response thereto; and

(e) the share of Manipur in the Central package recently announced for North Eastern States and the perventage thereof so far utilised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) The details for the period from 1st January, 1997 to 30 July, 1997 are as follows:—

No. of civilians killed	No. of army/police personnel killed	No. of militants killed	No. of militants nabbed
130	57	98	248

(b) and (c) The counter-insurgency operations in Manipur are coordinated through a 3 level structure, i.e. State Level Committee under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, the Operational Committee under the Army Commander and District Level Committees under the respective Deputy Commissioners. The arrangement and the situation in Manipur is reviewed from time to time at various levels. It was last reviewed on 16 July, 1997.

(d) Yes, Sir. 5 coys of the CRPF have been airlifted into Manipur during July, 1997 in addition to the already deployed units of the Central Para-Military Forces and the Army.

(e) As per the new initiatives for the North Eastern Region announced at Guwahati on 27 October, 1996, Manipur State is to receive Rs. 703.10 crores for 7 identified projects/schemes. In addition, Manipur will also benefit from the other infrastructure development schemes proposed to be undertaken for the North Eastern Region. So far, the Central Government have released Rs. 10.192 crores for the schemes in Manipur.

Increase in Incidents of Bank Robbery in Delhi

1623. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of bank robbery in Delhi have increased from March, 1993 onwards;